

SENATE JOINT RESOLUTION 295

By Southerland

A RESOLUTION recognizing Cosby Baptist Academy on the celebration of its 100th anniversary.

WHEREAS, the members of this General Assembly are honored to recognize those of Tennessee's fine educational institutions which are celebrating momentous occasions in their long and storied histories; and

WHEREAS, Cosby Baptist Academy, which now consists of Cosby Elementary and Cosby High School, is one such institution which has, for the past one hundred years, stood as a paragon of educational excellence, exhibiting an unwavering commitment to providing the finest education possible to the children of East Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, on April 13th of this year, Cosby Baptist Academy will be celebrated on the occasion of its centennial anniversary; and

WHEREAS, established in 1913 under the supervision of the Baptist Home Mission Board, Cosby Baptist Academy benefitted from the early guidance of its first principal, L.C. Kinsey, and its first local board of trustees, composed of A.A. Owens, G.W. Allen, Sam Wilson, Sam McSween, John Holder, Will Weaver, John Weaver, A.E. Roberts, and Uncle Harrison Wood; and

WHEREAS, under the leadership of Cosby Baptist Academy's second principal, Professor P.C. Williams, the school experienced a great deal of growth and prosperity, which continued throughout the terms of the school's early principals: Professor Bowen, Professor R.L. Marshall, Professor Turner, and L.R. Watson, to name but a few; and

WHEREAS, for a century, the administrators and teachers of Cosby Baptist Academy have striven to provide a well-rounded, beneficial education to each student who has passed

through those hallowed halls, and it is wholly fitting that the institution be recognized by this body on this momentous occasion; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE SENATE OF THE ONE HUNDRED EIGHTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES CONCURRING, that we hereby recognize and congratulate Cosby Baptist Academy on the celebration of its 100th anniversary, offering our deepest gratitude for the important role it has played in the education of so many of Tennessee's young minds, and extending our best wishes for its continued success in the future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.